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SUBJECT: SUSPENSION OF PAN AM SERVICES

REF: (A) BUCHAREST 6282 (NOTAL), (B) BELGRADE 6562

1. I HAVE LEARNED FROM A ROMANIAN LOCAL EMPLOYEE OF PAN AM'S OFFICE THAT PAN AM REPRESENTATIVES FROM EASTERN EUROPEAN CAPITALS WILL MEET FRIDAY, SEPT. 8, IN FRANKFURT. PRESUMABLY, PAN AM MANAGEMENT HAS CALLED THIS MEETING OF ITS REPRESENTATIVES IN ORDER TO CON-SIDER MODALITIES FOR DECISION TO SUSPEND PAN AM SERVICES TO VARIOUS EASTERN EUROPEAN CAPITALS. I REPORT THIS FOR TWO REASONS: (1) FACT THAT ROMANIAN LOCAL EMPLOYEE IS AWARE OF PAN AM'S DECISION MEANS THAT ROMANIAN GOVERNMENT LEADERSHIP IS ALSO AWARE AND MAY WELL BE PREPARING TO IMPACT UPON US IN FASHION I DESCRIBED IN REFTEL A; AND (2) IT OCCURES TO ME THAT MEETING IN FRANKFURT MAY WELL PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY TO LODGE SOME SORT OF APPEAL PROPOSED BY AMBASSADOR EAGLEBURGER IN FINAL PARA-GRAPH OF REFTEL B. CONFIDENTIAL

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2. I WISH TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO ENDORSE
AMBASSADOR EAGLEBURGER'S PROPOSAL THAT PAN AM'S
POSITION BE CHALLENGED AND THAT GENERAL FOREIGN
POLICY REPERCUSSIONS OF DECISION TO SUSPEND
SERVICE BE FORCEFULLY IMPRESSED UPON PAN AM.
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